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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of )

RICHARD R. HENGST )

Serial No.: 09/884,720 )

Filed: June 19, 2001 )

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD )  
OF MAKING A SLIP FREE )  
WAFER BOAT )

Group Art Unit: 1763

Examiner: Ram N. Kackar

(Our File No. 6096-01)

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION ASSOCIATED WITH A REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2003 issued in the above-identified application and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith in accordance with Rule 1.114.